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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2737

As Amended by House Committee on
Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

HB 2737 concerns human embryos and would make it unlawful for any person to:

- ! Intentionally or knowingly conduct destructive research on a human embryo;
- ! Buy, sell, receive, or otherwise transfer a human embryo with the knowledge that such embryo will be subjected to destructive research; or
- ! Buy, sell, receive, or otherwise transfer gametes with the knowledge that a human embryo will be produced from such gametes to be used in destructive research.

Upon conviction of a violation, a person would be guilty of a severity level 5, person felony.

The House Committee amended the bill to delete the listing of "whereas" clauses.

Background

Testifying in support of the bill were Representative Cook, the Kansas Catholic Conference, a professor from Indiana State University, an international lecturer and public speaker, and a private citizen. There was no testimony in opposition.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org/cgi-bin/fulltext/bills.cgi>

The fiscal note indicates that it is not known whether the bill would have any fiscal effect on the Judicial Branch.